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1. VIETNAM/CHINA

VN LAUNCHED ANOTHER STRIDENT ATTACK AGAINST CHINA THURS--
INDICATING, ACCORDING REUTER'S MAJENDIE(HK)--LITTLE LIKELI-
HOOD OF BREAKTHRU IN THEIR TALKS ON FUTURE OF ETHNIC
CHINESE IN VN. QUOTES "NHAN DAN": "WE DEMAND THAT THE
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PEKING AUTHORITIES DEMONSTRATE THEIR GOODWILL WITH CON-
CRETE NEEDS AND NOT TO TURN THE NEGOTIATING TABLE INTO AN
AUXILIARY FORUM FOR THE CHINESE PROPAGANDA MACHINE."

2. INDOCHINA REFUGEES

IN LAT FEATURE, MCARTHUR (BANGKOK 8/15) NOTES UPHEAVALS IN

SEASIA HAVE CREATED 17 MIL REFUGEES IN 3 DECADES SINCE WWII. CITES SEVERAL HISTORIANS' REASONS FOR UPHEAVALS/EXODUS OF PEOPLES FROM THEIR COUNTRIES. SAYS VIET DEP PREMIER PAHN HIEN, CITING LIBERATION OF EUR/SUBSEQUENT INFLUX OF PEOPLES FROM EUR TO WEUR, SEEMS ASSUME STABILITY IN INDOCHINA WILL NATURALLY FOLLOW DEPARTURE OF REFUGEES, CALLED "BAD ELEMENTS." MCARTHUR CONTENDS STABILITY IS EXPENSIVE, THAT REFUGEE EXODUS HAS ALMOST WRECKED SOME COUNTRIES. SAYS

CURRENT REFUGEE PROBLEM IS INTL IN SCOPE/"WEST MUST SHOW THE WAY OUT."

BALT NA (8/16) RUNS NAWROZKI FEATURE ON JOAN PAIGE/ DAUGHTER, RECENTLY RELEASED BY SRV TO JOIN WM PAIGE WHO LEFT THEM BEHIND WHEN HE EVACUATED VN IN '75. SAYS PAIGE HASN'T SEEN FAMILY YET, BECAUSE POL STRIFE IN IRAN WHERE HE IS LIVING BARS HIS DEPARTURE/REUNION.

3. PHILIPPINES

IN 2ND OF 2 ARTICLES, JOC'S BARNETT (SFO) SAYS PHIL AIRLINES PLANNING EXPAND SERVICE TO US, BUT IS MOVING AWAY FROM SPECIAL COMMODITY RATES. QUOTES US CARGO SALES MGR THAT SECRET OF SUCCESS IF FILLING UP PLANES W/VARIETY OF COMMODITIES. NOTES PAL HAS EXPANDED ITS CARGO FACILITIES IN SFO/MANILA. SPACE HAS BEEN TRIPLED AT SFO INTL AIRPORT/ UNCLASSIFIED

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NEW CARGO TERMINAL OPENED IN MANILA IN SPRING.

4. KOREA

REV SUN MYUNG MOON HAS APPEALED TO IMMIGRATION TRIBUNAL TO BE ALLOWED STAY IN BRITAIN DESPITE EXPIRATION OF VISITOR'S PERMIT. DENIED HE PLANS MOVE HDQTRS FROM NY TO BRITAIN-- MOVE SAID TO HAVE BEEN FACTOR IN DECISION TO DENY MOON PERMIT EXTENSION (WP LONDON).

WIDOW OF ONE OF 2 US ARMY OFFICERS KILLED 2 YRS AGO BY NK GUARDS ON KOREAN BORDER VISITED UNC THURS. MARCIA BONIFAS/3 CHILDREN MAKING VISIT ON INVITE OF KOREAN-AMERICAN FRIENDSHIP ASSOC WHICH PLANS GIVE HER 20,000 DOLS FOR CHILDREN'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND. REUTER (SEOUL) SAYS WIDOW OF OTHER MURDERED OFFICER DECLINED SIMILAR INVITE.

5. THAILAND

RTG/THAI ELECTRICAL GENERATING AUTHORITY PLAN RAISE 110 MIL DOLS IN INTL MRKTS TO BUY GENERATING EQUIP/POWER STATIONS, ACCORDING BANKING SOURCES (WSJ SPEC SINGAPORE).

SARAH CHILD, OF SPOKANE/2 AUSSIES--ALL MEMBERS ANANDA MARGA/CONVICTED OF POSSESSING EXPLOSIVES--HAVE BEEN DEPORTED FROM THAILAND. THEY FAILED RENEW VISAS WHEN 6-MONTH JAIL TERMS EXPIRED TUES. CHILD SAID BE FLYING TO US (REUTER BANGKOK 8/16).

6. SOLOMON ISLANDS

UN SECURITY COUNCIL SUBMITTED TO MEMBERSHIP CMTE WEDS APPLICATION FROM SOLOMONS TO BECOME UN'S 150TH MEMBER (REUTER 8/16).

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GOA ANNOUNCES TOUGH MEASURES AIMED AT PEOPLE WHO SMUGGLE ANIMALS/PLANTS IN COUNTRY. HEALTH MIN TOLD PARLIAMENT CHARTER AIRCRAFT WOULD PATROL OFF N COAST, FINES WOULD BE INCREASED TO 5,750 DOLS OR 6 MONTHS TO 2 YRS IN JAIL (REUTER CANBERRA 8/16).

CSM'S SOLOMON (CANBERRA) SAYS MOST AUSSIE COMMENTATORS SEE NEW AUSSIE BUDGET AS MOST UNPOPULAR IN 30 YRS. NOTES GOA HAS GONE BACK ON NUMBER OF ELECTION PROMISES BY RAISING TAXES/ABOLISHING UNIVERSAL HEALTH PLAN--GAMBLING ON HOPE BUDGET WILL RESTORE AUSSIE ECON TO HEALTHIER STATE BEFORE NEXT ELECTION. SAYS BUDGET BEING POSITIVELY WELCOMED BY GOVT SUPPORTERS BECAUSE IT DISTRACTS SOME ATTENTION FROM CRISIS OVER SACKING OF SEN WITHERS.

JOC SPEC (SYDNEY) SAYS NEW BUDGET MAKES IT CLEAR AUSTRALIA NEEDS/WILL WELCOME LARGE INJECTIONS FOM CAPITAL. SAYS STRATEGY OF PROTECTING AUSSIE DOL, REDUCING INFLATION, ENSURING HEALTHY BOP, INCREASING FOM RESERVES WILL ALL ATTRACT GENUINE/STABLE FOM CAPITAL. SAYS AUSSIE BANKERS ASSN BELIEVES BUDGET WILL GIVE FOM INVESTORS CONFIDENCE.

8. JAPAN

GOJ HAS INFORMED US IT IS WORKING ON WAYS SHOULDER MORE OF US DEFENSE COSTS IN W PACIFIC. DEFMIN KANEMARU, WHO VISITED US IN JUNE, HAS SAID THIS IN PAST/SEN DEF OFFICIAL MENTIONED POSSIBILITY OF JAPAN ASSUMING MORE US MIL CONSTRUCTION/OTHER SUPPORT COSTS IN PAC (REUTER 8/16).

JAPAN'S CURRENT ACCOUNT SURPLUS DECLINED IN JULY WHILE EXPORTS DECREASED IN VOLUME BUT ROSE IN DOL VALUE (UPI, UNCLASSIFIED

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JOC TOKYO).

TOYOTA MOTOR CO SAID IT RECEIVED PRC ORDER FOR 670 MICRO-BUSES VALUED AT 9.8 MIL DOLS (WSJ TOKYO).

FAO FORECASTS THAT CUTTING DOWN OF OPEN ACCESS OF OCEANIC FISHERY RESOURCES WILL CONVERT JAPAN FROM SELF-SUFFICIENCY INTO WORLD'S BIGGEST IMPORTER OF SEAFOOD BY '85. STUDY ALSO SAYS US/CANADA WILL BE "NET GAINERS" FROM DIVISION OF

FISHERY INTO "EXCLUSIVE ECON ZONES" (FARNETI, JOC ROME).

IN 2ND ARTICLE, JOC (ROME) CITES FAO FORECASTS THAT GRADUAL BUILDUP OF BUFFER STOCKS/APPLICATION OF EXPORT QUOTA PROVISIONS SHOULD SUCCEED IN RAISING SUGAR PRICES W/IN RANGE OF '77 INTL SUGAR AGREEMENT, THO THREAT OF HIGH FRUCTOSE SYRUP, HIGH LEVEL OF SUGAR STOCKS/STOCKPILING WILL BE RESTRAINING INFLUENCE ON SUGAR PRICES.

NEW MRKTING STRATEGY/REVIVED POPULARITY OF ROTARY-ENGINED CARS MAY BE FUELING FULL-SCALE COMEBACK FOR TOYO KOGYO CO, ACCORDING WSJ'S LACHICA (HIROSHIMA). SAYS ENTRY OF RX-7 SPORTS CAR SUGGESTS EMERGENCE OF NEW MRKTING STRATEGY BY JAPANESE AUTO MAKERS, AIMED AT MAINTAINING THEIR PRESENCE IN WORLD MRKTS IN FACE OF PROTECTIONIST MEASURES/ INCREASING US PROD OF ECON CARS. QUOTES CO PRES THAT BASIC AIM OF TOYO "ISN'T QUANTITY BUT QUALITY."

9. CHINA

WP CITES WH SCIENCE ANALYSTS ANN KEATLEY THAT ABOUT 25 UNIVERSITY PRESIDENTS/ADMINISTRATORS WILL MEET WASHINGTON NEXT THURS TO DISCUSS ARRANGEMENTS FOR CHINESE EXCHANGE STUDENTS EXPECTED ARRIVE W/IN FEW MONTHS. SAID EXCHANGE, WHICH ALSO WILL SEND US STUDENTS TO PRC SCHOOLS, WAS ARRANGED DURING FRANK PRESS PEKING VISIT. WHILE NO DATE SET, UNCLASSIFIED

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SOME CHINESE STUDENTS COULD ARRIVE THIS FALL/SEVERAL HUNDRED MIGHT BE IN US BY EARLY NEXT YR. PURPOSE OF 8/24 MTG, ACCORDING KEATLEY, IS TO SEEK ACADEMIC COMMUNITY'S VIEWS/SEE WHAT THEIR INTEREST IS IN EXCHANGES. VARIOUS TYPES OF SCHOOLS INVITED TO SESSION, INCLUDING GA TECH/ OBERLIN/STANFORD/IOWA STATE AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

KEATLEY DISCLOSED MTG WAS ARRANGED BY CSC W/PRC. CHINA WILL PAY ALL EXPENSES OF STUDENTS IT SENDS TO US; MOST WILL BE IN SCIENCE PROGRAMS, THEY ARE EXPECTED RANGE FROM UNDERGRADS TO POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCHERS. MOST US EXCHANGE STUDENTS WILL PROBABLY STUDY CHINESE LANGUAGE/HISTORY/CULTURE, KEATLEY SAID. NOT YET DECIDED HOW STUDENTS WILL BE SELECTED OR WHAT GROUP WILL COORDINATE PROGRAM.

HUA KUO-FENG GREETED IN BUCHAREST BY THOUSANDS OF CHEERING ROMANIANS; WEDS NIGHT MADE SHARP/BARELY DISGUISED ATTACK ON USSR, WARNING THAT SOME BIG POWERS TRYING DOMINATE WORLD (WSJ; REUTER, SUN; AP, PHINQ).

PRC THURS RATIFIED PEACE/FRIENDSHIP TREATY SIGNED W/JAPAN LAST SAT. NCNA SAID STANDING CMTE OF NATL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS UNANIMOUSLY RATIFIED TREATY/LONG-TERM ECON/TECH

COOP AGREE W/ROMANIA (REUTER PEKING 8/16).

OFFICIAL TALKS ON HK EXPORTS OF NON-RUBBER SHOES TO US ENDED WEDS W/JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT SAYING FURTHER DISCUSSIONS NEEDED/WILL PROBABLY BE HELD NEXT MONTH IN WASHINGTON. WASHINGTON TEAM HEADING FOR TAIWAN THURS FOR SIMILAR DISCUSSIONS (JOC SPEC HK).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

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WSJ'S CARLSON (BANGKOK) REPORTS ON FILM, "DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA," SHOWN IN BANGKOK RECENTLY. SAYS MOST STRIKING FEATURE WAS REGIMENTATION/DISCIPLINE IMPOSED ON PEOPLE BY COMMUNISTS. ADDS IT INTENDS SHOW CAMBODIAN SOCIETY AS RULERS WANT IT SHOWN--ORGANIZED/YOUNG/RURAL/PROGRESSING W/PRIMITIVE TECH. OBSERVES YOU WOULDN'T KNOW FROM FILM THERE IS HUNGER IN KAMPUCHEA OR PRIVATION OR PAIN.

11. CHINA

SUN EDIT SEES HUA'S EUR JOURNEY DRAMATICALLY SHOWING DIFFERENCE BETWN HIM/MAO. FEAR/LOATHING OF USSR STILL MARK PRC FON POL; CHANGE IS IN WHAT THEY DID OR DO ABOUT IT. PICTURES MAO AS EMPEROR RECEIVING POTENTATES IN PEKING, WHILE HUA IS MODERN STATESMAN-OF-WORLD, "NEITHER TOO IMPERIOUS TO GLOBE-TROT NOR TOO CHINESE TO JOIN A ROMANIAN FOLK DANCE." SEES PRC ACTING MORE LIKE NATION AMONG NATIONS THAN EVER SAVE ONCE IN 4,000 YRS OF HISTORY--I.E., WHEN GOVERNED BY CKS. VANCE

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